



The Mike O'Callaghan Federal Hospital

99th Medical Group and VA Southern Nevada Healthcare System

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Overview



- Sharing Relationship
- Successes
- Challenges
- Future Activity



Sharing Relationship



 Sole Inpatient facility for DoD and VA beneficiaries in Southern Nevada

 Leveraging capabilities of joint venture partners to enhance healthcare services for all beneficiaries



Sharing Relationship



 Integrated ancillary support: radiology, lab, pharmacy, nutritional services

 Fully integrated effort in the ICU, ED, OR, Anesthesia, PACU

 Cooperative effort on medical, psychiatric wards and specialist referrals



Keys to Success



- Regular, open dialogue is essential
- Track key concerns/items in formal minutes
- Establish an atmosphere of trust
- Important to use "we"
- Leadership sets the tone



Successes



- Staffing: Hiring flexibility (ER)
- Resource sharing
- Compliance: Use single set of standards...default to highest standard
- Training: Joint training starts with Newcomers...joint training tracker in development
- Systems: Computers on stands/wireless
- Credentials: Dual credential/privileging workarounds



Challenges



- Space: Limitations in MOFH...new AF clinic space procured near the flight line
- Systems: Two systems with limited and unreliable interface...workaround by bringing providers up on both
- Access to the physical plant: Increased security has created hardships for VA patients
- Operating Room time: Surgical backlog
- Prep for the new VA medical center



Future Activity



- Diagnostic Cardiac Catheterization (JIF)
 - Awaiting Final Decision
- Hyperbaric Chamber
- Disability Evaluation System test site
- Air Force growth of services
 - Family Medicine Residency (2009)
 - Nephrology, Hem-Onc, Allergy, GI, Cardiology, Critical Care